Homesteads of Indians without competency certificates, tax exemption.

Proviso. Limitation on area.

"Homestead allotments of Osage Indians not having a certificate of competency shall remain exempt from taxation while the title remains in the original allottee of one-half or more of Osage Indian blood and in his unallotted heirs or devisees of one-half or more of Osage Indian blood until January 1, 1984: Provided, That the taxexempt land of any such Indian allottee, heir, or devisee shall not at any time exceed one hundred and sixty acres."

Approved, June 24, 1938.

[CHAPTER 646]

AN ACT

June 24, 1938 [S. 4011] [Public, No. 712]

To extend the time for completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near a point between Cherokee and Osage Streets, Saint Louis. Missouri.

Mississippi River. Time extended for bridging, at Saint Louis, Mo.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the time for completing the construction of a bridge across the Mississippi River, at or near a point between Cherokee and Osage Streets, Saint Louis, Missouri, authorized to be built by H. C. Brenner Realty and Finance Corporation, its successors and assigns, by an Act of Congress approved February 13, 1931, and revived and reenacted by an Act of August 30, 1935, is hereby extended three years from August 30, 1938. SEC. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

46 Stat. 1095; 49 Stat. 1051.

Amendment.

Approved, June 24, 1938.

[CHAPTER 647]

AN ACT

June 24, 1938 [S. 4007] Public, No. 7131

Authorizing the county of Lawrence, Kentucky, to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Big Sandy River at or near Louisa, Kentucky.

Big Sandy River. Lawrence County, Ky., may bridge, at Louisa.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to facilitate interstate commerce, improve the postal service, and provide for military and other purposes, the county of Lawrence, Kentucky, be, and is hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Big Sandy River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Louisa, Kentucky, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

34 Stat. 84. 33 U. S. C. § 491.

Acquisition of real estate, etc.

Sec. 2. There is hereby conferred upon the county of Lawrence, Kentucky, all such rights and powers to enter upon lands and to acquire, condemn, occupy, possess, and use real estate and other property needed for the location, construction, operation, and maintenance of such bridge and its approaches as are possessed by railroad corporations for railroad purposes or by bridge corporations for bridge purposes in the State in which real estate or other property is situated, upon making just compensation therefor, to be ascertained and paid according to the laws of such State, and the proceedings therefor shall be the same as in the condemnation or expropriation of property for public purposes in such State.

SEC. 3. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby

Amendment.

expressly reserved.

Approved, June 24, 1938.